

[ABSTRACT]

-- ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE --

An interdental toothbrush comprising a handle [(1) and] mounting a wire brush [(8) attached thereto, in which]. T[t]he [wire] brush is formed integrally with a support [(6)] joined rotat[ingly]ably to the handle[, so] such that [the] tilting of the [wire] brush [with respect] relative to [the] an axis of the handle [may be] is adjust[ed]able to a selected angle, the toothbrush being further [means (11,12) being] provided with a lock for [locking said] securing the support at [the desired] the selected angle [with respect to the handle].

[(FIG. 1)]

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend page 6, paragraph 1, to read as follows:

-- WHAT IS CLAIMED IS: --

[CLAIMS]

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned Application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (currently amended) An interdental toothbrush comprising a handle [ and] mounting a wire brush [ attached thereto], [ wherein] the [ wire] brush [ is] being integral with a support rotatably joined [rotatingly] to the handle[, so] such that tilting of the [wire] brush [with respect] relative to [the] an axis of the handle can be adjusted, the toothbrush being further [means being] provided with a lock for [locking said] securing the support at [the desired] a selected angle with respect to the handle axis.

Claim 2 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support has a pin transvers[al]e [with respect] to the axis of the [wire] brush for rotatable engag[ing rotatingly in]ement with a seat [made in the] at an end of [said] the handle.

Claim 3 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 2, wherein [two] parallel, ring-shaped expansions, each defining a relatively circular seat, are [made] formed in the end of [said] the handle.

Claim 4 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support has a pin transvers[al]e [with respect] to the axis of the [wire] brush for rotatable engag[ing rotatingly in]ement with a seat [made in the] at an end of [said] the handle, [said] the seat having a generally circular

shape and being defined by [two] a plurality of ring-shape expansions that extend[ing] from, and relatively [in a] parallel [way from] to, one end of the handle.

Claim 5 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 4, wherein the diameter of [said] the seat is substantially equal to the diameter of [said] the pin.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 2, wherein [said] means for locking the support at a desired angle with respect to the handle] the lock comprises at least one radial tooth formed on [said] the pin and a plurality of cavities formed on [the] a surface delimiting [said] the seat for engaging [said] the tooth, [said] the cavities being spaced angularly relative to one another, [so] such that the [wire] brush [may be] is lock[ed]able at the [desired] selected angle.

Claim 7 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 4, wherein [said] the pin has at least one radial tooth, and a plurality of cavities are provided on [the] a surface delimiting at least one of [said] the seats for engaging [said] the tooth, [said] the cavities being spaced angularly relative to one another, [so] such that the [wire] brush [may be] is lock[ed]able at the [desired] selected angle.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the support [is] comprises an elongated stem[,] extending from one end of [which] the [wire] brush [extends], a transvers[al]e pin being provided at the other end of the brush.

Claim 9 (currently amended) The interdental toothbrush [according to] set forth in claim 1, wherein [said] the handle is made of [two] a plurality of connectable [halves] portions, each of [said halves] the portions terminating with one of [said] the ring-shape expansions and being rotat[ing]ably joined to one another [by their] at opposi[te]ing ends, a protrusion being provided on one of [said] the halves for engaging [in] a corresponding cavity[, made] formed correspondingly in [the] another [half] portion[, with] upon applying relatively moderate force [being applied] thereto, such that [keep said two halves] the portions are reversibly joined one to the other.

### REMARKS

The captioned Application has been amended to comport with U.S. practice, and, in so doing, to better define the invention without limiting effect. No new matter has been